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NATIONAL TURKEY MARKET - AT A GLANCE



DOMESTIC MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

The market tone on frozen hens and consumer sized toms was steady with some caution noted for December shipments. Interest ranged light to moderate for December deliveries. Offerings were short for prompt shipments, light to adequate for December. The white meat market was steady to barely steady with fresh tom breast meat and fresh scapula in the strongest position due to post holiday interest for prompt shipments. Some strength was also noted on fresh mechanically separated turkey for prompt shipments due to holiday processing schedules. Trading seasonally slow.

EXPORT MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

Trading slow as processors prepare for the upcoming holiday weekend. Inquiry slow to moderate with sellers resisting the lower buyer bids from Asia on tom drums and tom 2-joint wings.

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CURRENT SHIPMENTS 2/

FORWARD SHIPMENTS 6/

OPEN COMMITMENTS 7/

	OFFERS	SALES	WTD AVG	VOLUME (000)	WTD AVG	VOLUME (000)	DEL. PER	VOLUME (000)	DEL. PER
8-16 LB HENS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	84-88	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	83-88	84.25-84.5	84.38	160	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	84-88	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	84-85	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	82.5-85	82.5-83.25	82.95	200	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	84-85	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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EASTERN REGION 3/	84-88	85	85.00	520	-	-	-	240	DEC
CENTRAL REGION 4/	83-88	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	84-88	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	84-85	84	84.00	80	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	83-85	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	84-85	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

1/ May include product stored at temperatures in range of 1 to 25 degrees F. 2/ Includes product priced for shipment within 14 days. 3/ Includes product with 3 percent broth basting. 4/ Includes product with 3-6 percent broth basting. 5/ Includes products with 6 percent broth basting. 6/ Includes product committed for pricing during the previous 24 hours but shipment in more than 14 days from date of commitment. 7/ Includes product committed during previous 24 hours at prices to be determined at later date.

NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS INCLUDING BULK MEAT and FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 22 NOVEMBER 2005.

The market tone on tom bulk parts was steady to barely steady. Demand light to instances moderate as industry members prepare for the upcoming holiday weekend. Offerings light to ample, mostly adequate to fully adequate. Trading centered on contracts for 2006, balance slow. Fresh tom breast meat traded with a 165 cent floor and a 195 cent ceiling for January-December, 2006 shipments and hen 2-joint wings at 110 cents delivered mid-December for domestic shipments.

DOMESTIC TRADING	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/				
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A—FRESH 2/				
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/				
DRUMSTICKS, TOM	42.00		42.00	28
DRUMSTICKS, TOM—FRESH		F	41.44	360
DRUMSTICKS, HEN	41.00		41.00	8
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	47.00		47.00	40
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN	45.00-46.00		45.83	48
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	43.00		43.00	80
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN		F	119.00	40
NECKS, TOM	47.00		47.00	28
NECKS, HEN	40.00		40.00	8
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/		F	263.67	60
BREASTS, B/S, TOM—FRESH 3/	275.00		275.00	20
THIGH MEAT		F	97.50	40
THIGH MEAT—FRESH		F	99.00	30
BREAST TRIM MEAT		F	164.00	8
SCAPULA MEAT	112.00		112.00	40
TENDERLOINS		F	215.00	4
DESTRAPPED TENDERS	228.00		228.00	40
DESTRAPPED TENDERS—FRESH	246.00-248.00		247.33	60
WING MEAT WITH SKIN	70.00		70.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		F	19.35	114
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED—FRESH 4/	21.00		21.00	80

EXPORT TRADING

DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	43.00		43.00	182
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS				
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM				
TAILS				
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/				
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN				

1/ CODES FOR LAST SIGNIFICANT TRADE (L.S.T.):

M=MONDAY T=TUESDAY W=WEDNESDAY R=THURSDAY F=FRIDAY

2/ Breasts are bagged; rib, back, and wing meat included; and basted.

3/ Boneless and skinless without tenderloins.

4/ 15-20% fat with skin added.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA) PROCESSED TURKEY, DELIVERED TO RETAILERS

	<u>RANGE</u>
FRESH TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	88-96
FRESH TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	88-96
FROZEN TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	83-91
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	83-88
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-28#	83-90

SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED TURKEY DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

	<u>RANGE</u>
TURKEYS Y HENS	110-129
TURKEYS Y TOMS UNDER 22#	108-129
TURKEYS Y TOMS 22-24#	105-129
TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-26#	105-129
TURKEYS Y TOMS 26 LBS & OVER	105-139

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NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS INCLUDING BULK MEAT and FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 23 NOVEMBER 2005

The market tone on white meat was mixed with spot strength noted on fresh tom breast meat and scapula for prompt shipments next week for post holiday scheduling needs. Offerings of fresh tom breast meat and fresh scapula tight for prompt shipments, balance of white meat mixed ranging light to fully adequate due in part to the upcoming holiday weekend. The market tone on fresh mechanically separated turkey strengthened for prompt shipments and early next week deliveries because of tightened supplies due in part to the short holiday week processing schedules. For domestic: Grade A non-basted breasts - 10-12 lb. 150, 12-14 lb. 160, 14-16 lb. 170, 16-18 lb. 180; plant grade non-basted 14-16 lb. breasts 170; fresh scapula 125-134, mostly 130-134 cents delivered. Fresh tom drums traded at 41.50 cents delivered export.

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DRUMSTICKS, TOM—FRESH		F	41.44	360
DRUMSTICKS, HEN	42.00		42.00	20
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	46.00		46.00	7
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN	46.00		46.00	20
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	47.00		47.00	12
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN		F	119.00	40
NECKS, TOM	46.00		46.00	11
NECKS, HEN		T	40.00	8
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/	263.00-265.00		263.27	30
BREASTS, B/S, TOM—FRESH 3/	275.00-278.00		275.86	140
THIGH MEAT	99.00		99.00	1
THIGH MEAT—FRESH	98.00-102.00		100.18	44
BREAST TRIM MEAT		F	164.00	8
SCAPULA MEAT	112.00		112.00	6
TENDERLOINS		F	215.00	4
DESTRAPPED TENDERS		T	228.00	40
DESTRAPPED TENDERS—FRESH	245.00-249.00		246.58	86
WING MEAT WITH SKIN		T	70.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		F	19.35	114
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED—FRESH 4/	20.00-24.50		22.09	222

EXPORT TRADING

DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	42.00		42.00	120
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS				
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM				
TAILS				
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/				
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	100.00		100.00	80

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BREEDER TURKEYS CERTIFIED IN CALIFORNIA W/E 11/23/05

POULTRY HEALTH BOARD

CUMULATIVE

SEASON	HEAVY	HEAVY	ALL
JULY 1 TO JUNE 30	WHITE	WHITE	BREEDS
2004-2005			
2003-2004		Data Unavailable	